

March 28, 1958

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725 North Normandie
Los Angeles 29, California

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Dear Miss [redacted]

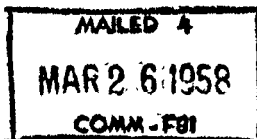
Your very kind letter of March 18, 1958, has been received, and I want you to know that I am deeply grateful for the thoughtfulness which prompted you to write.

I am certainly pleased that you found "Masters of Deceit" to be of interest, and you may be sure I am thankful for your complimentary remarks concerning my administration of the FBI's activities.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

3/18/58

Los Angeles, Cal.

J. Edgar Hoover

Dear Sir:

After reading your well written book
please allow us to compliment you.

It is written so analytical & comprehensive with its
warning, enlightening & awakening message for our
people.

We also greatly appreciate the services you have
rendered as head of F. B. I.

May you continue your good work. We need men of
your fearless caliber.

May the God of all good Bless you.

Very sincerely

s/



725 N. Normandie
Los Angeles 29, California

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Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Nease
Mr. Parsons
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March 31, 1958

Miss [redacted]
Waldorf-Astoria Book Shop
Waldorf-Astoria Hotel
New York 22, New York

Dear Miss [redacted]

It was indeed thoughtful of you to send me a photograph of your window display of my book, "Masters of Deceit," with your kind note of March 26. I am, of course, happy to learn of the favorable reception to the book, and your continued interest means a great deal to me.

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MAR 31 1958
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Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: By letter dated February 26, 1958, to Miss [redacted] the Director forwarded her an autographed copy of "Masters of Deceit." In her letter to the Director, Miss [redacted] said she planned to have a big display of the book in her window.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Waldorf-Astoria Book Shop
Waldorf-Astoria Hotel
New York City 22 N.Y.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Here is the picture of my window
for "Masters of Deceit." I am glad
to report it sells very well, and
best of all are the people who come in to say how
valuable it is and how good it is and how necessary.

Most sincerely yours,

March 26, 1958

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Waldorf-Astoria Book Shop

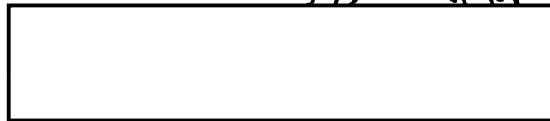
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March 26, 1958



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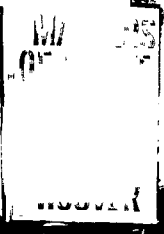
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The Story of the
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J. EDGAR HOOVER



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State of North Dakota

DISTRICT COURT
BOTTINEAU, N. D.

DISTRICT JUDGE

COURT REPORTER

March 25, 1958

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover,
F. B. I.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I can assure you that I appreciate your letter of the 19th very much which just reached me. When I wrote asking you for a copy of your book I certainly did not intend that you send it to me autographed and free of charge. However, I appreciate this greatly.

I have talked about your book and about your anti-Communist activities to several juries in the various parts of the district where I have been holding court, and I hope that you will get some orders for "Masters of Deceit". It is hard to impress upon the people the necessity for work against Communism, and very hard to make many of them believe that it is a real menace in our country. Ever since the late Senator McCarthy died the work against Communism certainly died in the United States Senate.

It appears that since the present administration--and I am a life-long Republican--is feeding the Communists like Tito, Gumulko, and India with American cash that there is no desire on the part of the administration to combat Communism. Still the President asks for great sums of money, almost four billion dollars, and says that it's for foreign aid with which to fight Communism. How can that be true under the circumstances?

Again I want to thank you for your very fine letter.

Very sincerely yours,

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MASTERS OF DECEIT

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: 3-27-58

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages A2915-A2916, Congresswoman Bolton, (R) Ohio, in commenting on the book "Masters of Deceit" stated "America has waited many years for J. Edgar Hoover's intimate, down-to-earth picture of communism at work in the land of the free..... I hope every American will make an effort to read this book." She pointed out that Lawrence Sullivan, Coordinator of Information in the House of Representatives, had written "a most interesting review of Mr. Hoover's book." She included this review with her remarks. Mr. Sullivan stated "As a history of our times, Hoover's book illuminates in compelling perspective all of the major economic, political, and international confusions of the 20th century. It is, truly, a once-in-a-lifetime memoir. If, somehow, this book could be gotten into the hands of 10 million Americans, today's gravest challenge to world peace soon would be uprooted and destroyed, like a poison-ivy weed in a beautiful garden."

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: 3-27-58

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Tenn. Page A2922, Congressman Keating, (R) New York, extended his remarks concerning the book "Masters of Deceit." He stated "one of the finest reviews of J. Edgar Hoover's important book, Masters of Deceit, has been penned by Jack Carley, of the staff of the Memphis Commercial Appeal. As Mr. Carley so clearly points out, this book is a guidebook to the day-to-day operations of the nefarious Communist conspiracy, and it emphasizes that we must not slacken our efforts to combat these subversives just because on the surface their membership has declined." Mr. Keating included the review. Mr. Carley stated "Mr. Hoover has more than succeeded admirably in setting out in exact detail the mind and mechanics of this free-world enemy. In its authoritativeness and presentation, Masters of Deceit measures up in every way to the perfectionist standards the FBI's Director sets for the organization he has developed and led for so many achieving years."

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 3/18/58

FROM : Legat, Bonn (66-1)

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"
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For the Bureau's information, I intend to furnish copies of "Masters of Deceit" to Ambassador DAVID K. E. BRUCE, Bonn, Ambassador H. FREEMAN MATTHEWS of Vienna, and to the following contacts of this office:

- (1) [redacted] Bundesamt fuer Verfassungsschutz, Cologne
- (2) [redacted] Department III, (Left Wing Radicalism), Bundesamt fuer Verfassungsschutz, Cologne
- (3) [redacted]
- (4) [redacted] Department II, (Security), Ministry of Interior, Vienna
- (5) Major General [redacted] Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Headquarters, US Army Europe
- (6) Col. [redacted] Hq., 7915th US Army Europe Liaison Group, Stuttgart (CIC Headquarters)
- (7) Mr. [redacted] NATO Security Adviser to the German Government, Bonn

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 28, 1958

FROM : *JW* Legat, Havana (66-32)SUBJECT: HAVANA OFFICE
ADMINISTRATIVE

The following is a list of office sources to whom copies of the book "Masters of Deceit" are being presented:

United States Ambassador [redacted];
Chief of Cuban National Police Brigadier [redacted]

Head of the Cuban Bureau for Repression of
Communist Activities Lt. Colonel [redacted];

Chief of the Department of Investigations of
the Cuban National Police
Colonel [redacted];

Head of the Military Intelligence Service of
the Cuban Army
Colonel [redacted]

[redacted] owner of Cuban weekly magazine
"Carteles" and administrator of the
Cuban weekly magazine "Bohemia";

[redacted] columnist of the Havana English
language newspaper (daily) "Havana Post";

[redacted] Editor of English language Havana
newspaper "Times of Havana";

[redacted] the University
of Villanueva;

[redacted] Manager of the First National
Bank of Boston.

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April 1, 1958

SPECIAL DELIVERY

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Mr. William E. Buckley
Henry Holt and Company, Inc.
383 Madison Avenue
New York 17, New York

EX-136

Dear Bill:

62-104277-359

The twenty-sixth installment of the King
Features syndication is being returned herewith. We
have marked suggested changes on the text.

Sincerely,

Clyde

Clyde Tolson

Enclosure

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Henry Holt and Company, Inc. • PUBLISHERS

383 MADISON AVENUE...NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

VICE PRESIDENT

March 28, 1958

Mr. Clyde Tolson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Room 5744
Department of Justice Bldg.
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Clyde:

Enclosed herewith please find installment #26 of King Features
Syndicate's version of MASTERS OF DECEIT by J. Edgar Hoover, for
your correction.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

William E. Buckley

William E. Buckley

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

RA TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: April 1, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

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We have reviewed the twenty-sixth installment of the King Features syndication furnished by Henry Holt. It is taken from Chapter 22, dealing with what the citizen can do to help fight communism.

As in past installments, the text has been shortened, changed at points and some sentences reworded. The general theme, however, remains. We have made some minor changes in consultation with the Domestic Intelligence Division.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter over Mr. Tolson's signature be forwarded to Mr. Buckley of Henry Holt, enclosing the corrected text of the 26th installment.

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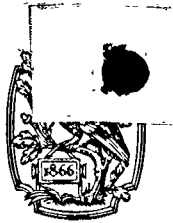
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GENERAL BOOKS
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February 4, 1958

Trade Department

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Room 5744, Department of Justice Building
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Tolson:

Masters of Deceit

Thank you very much indeed for the time you gave me when I called on you in Washington. I know what a busy schedule you have, and it is for this reason I am particularly grateful for your taking time out to talk to me.

I am enclosing a list of the papers to which I think it will be helpful if Mr. Hoover would send autographed copies, providing that he knows individuals on them. Perhaps there are some you may wish to add, or others you want to delete.

We are sending you, under separate cover, a number of cards such as the enclosed which I know you will be kind enough to have inserted in each copy of MASTERS OF DECEIT. I appreciate your willingness to have this done. I'm always fearful of newspapers breaking release dates and the cards should help, at least to some extent.

You may recall my having asked what you thought of the idea of sending an autographed copy to Mr. [redacted] Marshall Field and Company in Chicago. Mr. Hoover said he did not know him, so perhaps you will not think it a good idea to send a copy. Our sales manager felt that it might mean a number of sales, which is the reason I made the suggestion.

I also mentioned to Mr. Hoover that it might be nice if he sent an autographed copy to Cardinal [redacted] of Los Angeles since other important prelates in other cities had been included in Mr. Hoover's list.

The six hundred copies of MASTERS OF DECEIT will undoubtedly go along to you on Friday of this week or Monday of next.

Thank you very much for recognizing the urgency of getting books to the press first. I am particularly anxious that the San Francisco Chronicle, the Chicago Tribune, and the New York Herald Tribune receive their copies as early as possible since their book review sections make up so far ahead.

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Miss M. M. M. advised 1/4/58 we were doing this - memo 2/5/58 - PH

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Mr. Tolson

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Obviously, I shall be sending books to the reviewers on these papers, and, in fact, I have already sent them bound pages. Nonetheless, autographed copies from Mr. Hoover would mean much in stressing the urgency of the message in his book, and the necessity for news coverage in order to alert the public.

Again, my sincere thanks for your interest and help. Needless to say, we are grateful beyond words to know that you are planning big things from your own office, publicity-wise. As you said, it would seem to me that March 1st would be a good time to start advance comments in columns.

With my very good wishes,

Sincerely,



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SUGGESTED NEWSPAPERS TO RECEIVE AUTOGRAPHED COPIES OF MASTERS OF DECEIT

CALIFORNIA

San Francisco Chronicle *airtel*
X San Francisco Examiner *ok*

CONNECTICUT

Hartford Courant *ok*
Hartford Times *ok*

KENTUCKY

Louisville Courier Journal *airtel*

LOUISIANA

New Orleans Times-Picayune *ok* - *Saul Woolfson*

MARYLAND

Baltimore Sun *ok*

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston Globe *no*
Boston Herald *ok*
X Christian Science Monitor - Irwin Canhan *ok*

MICHIGAN

Detroit Times *ok*
X Detroit News *ok* *Carlisle, John M.*

MINNESOTA

X Minneapolis Star-Tribune *ok*

MISSOURI

X Kansas City Star *ok*
St. Louis Globe Democrat *ok*

NEW YORK

X Time *ok*
X Newsweek *ok*

NORTH CAROLINA

Raleigh News and Observer *no*

OHIO

X Cleveland Plain Dealer *ok* *Bryan, Wright*

OKLAHOMA

Daily Oklahoman *no* - *no contact*

OREGON

Portland Oregonian - *no*

RHODE ISLAND

Providence Journal *no*

TENNESSEE

X Memphis Commercial Appeal *ok*
X Nashville Banner *ok* *Stallman, James G.*
Nashville Tennessean *no*

VIRGINIA

Richmond Times-Democrat *ok*


WASHINGTON

Seattle Post-Intelligencer *ok*

WISCONSIN

Milwaukee Journal ?

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About a book
we are
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ADVANCE COPY
of
MASTERS OF DECEIT
The Story of Communism in America
by J. Edgar Hoover
To be published by
Henry Holt and Company
on March 10, 1958

383 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK 17, N. Y.



HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY, INC. • Publishers

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GENERAL BOOKS
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February 4, 1958

Trade Department

Mr. C. D. DeLoach
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice Building
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. DeLoach:

I do want you to know that I am most grateful for the time and attention you gave me while I was in Washington last week. It was a fascinating tour, and a most educational one.

I am looking forward to receiving some of the charts and other data on communism in America, though I know it is also included in the book. There might be something in the material that would help me with publicity and releases. I should particularly like to get the graph, which I might send out to newspapers with review copies if you agree that this is a good idea.

As I promised you, I am enclosing copies of letters to Mr. Hoover and Mr. Tolson, in order to keep you informed as to what we are about. I know how much you will be helping us, and you may be assured that we are deeply grateful.

Little did I know what a shot I was! Or were those bullets magnetized? If not, I'm heading for the west and the prairie.

With my very good wishes,

Sincerely,



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February 4, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Chief
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice Building
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

My sincere thanks for your thoughtfulness in taking the time out of your tremendously busy schedule to see me when I was in Washington. It was a great pleasure to meet you, and I much appreciate your having arranged the very interesting tour of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

I am enclosing a list of the additional newspapers to which I think it might be a good idea to send autographed copies, providing you know someone on each of them. I agree with you that to autograph books to people whom you do not know is not a wise idea.

It is possible that I have selected some papers on the attached list to which you would prefer not to send copies of MASTERS OF DECEIT. It is also possible that there may be others you may wish to add.

I am also sending this list to Mr. Tolson, as he requested, as well as a copy to Mr. DeLoach.

Again, my thanks to you for the time and thoughtful attention you gave me in Washington.

Please be assured that I shall do everything possible to bring MASTERS OF DECEIT to the attention of the large audience it so richly deserves.

Sincerely,



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P.S. I have just learned that the Chicago Tribune Magazine of Books will feature your book on their March 9th cover.

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Miss [redacted]
Director of Publicity
Henry Holt & Company, Inc.
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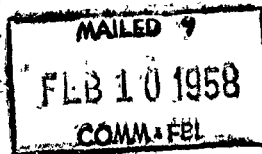
Dear Miss [redacted]

Your letter of February 4, 1958, has been received, and I am very happy to learn that you enjoyed your recent visit to FBI Headquarters.

Mr. Tolson and Inspector DeLoach join me in expressing appreciation for your kind comments and for your promptness in sending each of us the list of additional newspapers which you feel should receive advance copies of the book.

In accordance with your request, I am sending an auto-graphed copy of "Masters of Deceit" to a representative of the following papers you suggested:

"San Francisco Examiner"
"New Orleans Times-Picayune"
"Christian Science Monitor"
"Detroit News"
"Kansas City Star"
"Time" Magazine
"Newsweek"
"Cleveland Plain Dealer"
"Memphis Commercial Appeal"
"Nashville Banner"
"Minneapolis Star-Tribune"
"San Francisco Chronicle"
"Milwaukee Journal"
"Louisville Courier-Journal"



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See Jones to Nease memo 2/10/58 re
"Masters of Deceit" GEM: 615

Miss Maureen McManus

"Richmond Times-Dispatch"
"Hartford Courant"
"St. Louis Globe-Democrat"
"The Hartford Times"
"Boston Herald"
"Baltimore Sun"
"Seattle Post-Intelligencer"
"The Detroit Times"
"The Daily Oklahoman"

It would be appreciated if you would arrange to have an advance copy of the book furnished to the other papers on your list.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: 3-7-58

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

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APPENDIX

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Senator Talmadge, (D) Georgia, extended his remarks concerning the book "Masters of Deceit." He included with his remarks a review of the book as contained in volume VII, No. 5, of the Firing Line, official publication of the National Americanism Commission of the American Legion. Mr. Talmadge's favorable remarks were set forth in a memorandum written earlier this date.

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SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

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Senator Bridges, (R) New Hampshire, spoke concerning the book "Masters of Deceit." Mr. Bridges made several favorable comments concerning Mr. Hoover. This matter was set forth in an earlier memorandum.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: 3/28/58

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages A2614-
A2615

Congressman Porter, (D) Oregon, extended his remarks to include the book review of Masters of Deceit by John B. Oakes, a member of the New York Times editorial board. This review appeared in the New York Times book review section on March 9, 1958. This was brought to your attention by an earlier memorandum.

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March 28, 1958

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Mrs. [redacted]
1515 Pacific Avenue
Atlantic City, New Jersey D.C.

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

Your thoughtful note of March 23, 1958, with enclosure, is deeply appreciated, and I want to thank you for your best wishes regarding my book, "Masters of Deceit."

Miss [redacted] has asked that I extend her thanks for your kindness in remembering her, and we hope you are enjoying every happiness.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Mrs. [redacted] is on the Special Correspondents' List. Since the identity of the newspaper from which the enclosed review was clipped is not known, it is not possible to take any action concerning it. Bureau files reflect no unfavorable information identifiable with Mrs. [redacted]. She was afforded a very special tour of FBI Headquarters on December 10, 1952, at which time she met the Director and Mr. Tolson. (94-2-28426)

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

3/23/58

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Nease
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. Jones
Mr. Clayton
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

My dear Mr. Hoover -

I just read the enclosed revue about your book and I want to wish you a great big succes and big returns. As the saying goes, "It couldn't happen to a nicer guy." I am quite proud that I have the good luck to know you. Best wishes for everything good.

Sincerely,

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(Mrs. [redacted])

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P.S. My kindest regard to Miss Gandy

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3/23/58

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P.S. - My kindest regards to Miss Gandy

'Red' Threat Is Exposed

MASTERS OF DECEIT. By J. Edgar Hoover. (Holt. 374 pages. \$5.)

The sense of immediacy with which the Communist threat to the United States is set forth is undoubtedly the chief value of this latest work by the chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Carefully, clearly and thoroughly, Mr. Hoover tells in "Masters of Deceit" how Communism developed from a theory in the warped brain of Karl Marx, got its first real start under Lenin with the October Revolution in 1917 in Russia, and has since planted its seeds in America, to become the greater peril for the simple reason that the Communist Party's decline in numbers here has lulled our people into a false sense of security.

The author stresses, as emphatically as he can do so, the fact that world Communism thinks of a Communist America in terms of the here and now. He points out what the triumph of Communism would mean to the liberties Americans now take for granted. His warning that such a dire fate could overtake us unless we are constantly vigilant is one to which every thinking, patriotic American should give heed.

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April 1, 1958

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Mrs. [redacted]
31 Belnel Road
Mattapan, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

EX-131
Your thoughtful letter of March 25, 1958, has been received, and I want to thank you very much for your kind comments and congratulations on my book, "Masters of Deceit."

Your interest in the book is indeed appreciated. I am quite sure that in due time the publisher will give consideration to printing the book in a paperback edition.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

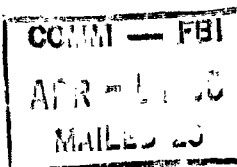
John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Bufiles reflect no information identifiable with Mrs. [redacted] of Mattapan, Massachusetts. Several inquiries regarding the publication of the book in the paperback edition have been brought to the attention of the publisher. It is not believed necessary to do so in this case.

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Mr. Mohr
Mr. Nease
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. Clayton
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

31 Belnel Road
Mattapan, Massachusetts

March 25, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Congratulations on the book "Masters of Deceit". It is a most revealing book on Communistic activities.

This book would have a much wider circulation if it were possible to have this printed in a paper cover. Most of my business associates wish to read it, but feel that the price of \$5.00 is too much for their pocketbook.

Would it be possible to have this printed in a less expensive form?

I have a long list of friends anxious to read this book. I have it out on circulation.

You are doing a most wonderful job.

Sincerely yours,

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Mrs. [Redacted]
Mrs. [Redacted]

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P.S. This/should be mandatory in every class room of the entire country.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: 3-26-58

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

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APPENDIX

Page A2802

Congressman Keating, (R) New York, extended his remarks concerning the book "Masters of Deceit." He included with his remarks a review of the book by Qlin W. Archer of the Rochester (New York) Times-Union. This was brought to your attention by an earlier memorandum.

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TO : The Director

DATE: 3-28-58.

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

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APPENDIX

Pages A2932- Congressman Keating, (R) New York, extended his remarks
A2934 concerning the book "Masters of Deceit." He included three
articles which appeared in the New York Herald Tribune written
by Harry W. Baehr, John K. Hutchens and Roscoe Drummond
in connection with this book. This matter was included in a
memorandum written earlier this date.

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St. Paul's Church
Kinderhook, New York

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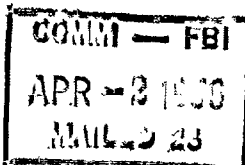
Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter of March 25, 1958,
in which you commented so favorably about my book, "Masters
of Deceit," and the need for faith. Your observations are
appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director



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NOTE: Bureau files reflect that the name of [REDACTED]

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the release of Earl Browder. This list was circulated in 1941.

(100-3-32-33) In 1942, [REDACTED]
New York, was reported as [REDACTED]

This organization was sponsored for the Church League of Industrial
Democracy, 155 Washington Street, New York City, which League is the
subject of Bureau file 61-9157. The Church League for Industrial
Democracy was described as an unofficial spearhead group within the
Episcopal Church and its purpose was to arouse interest in social action
in industry outside the church. Mrs. [REDACTED] listed

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as the person who had known her since 1933. Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] are former prisoners of communist Chinese who were released
in 1955 and who both later made pro-Chinese communist statements.
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KINDERHOOK, N. Y.

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Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
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Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Mr. Clayton	✓
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Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

As a Priest of the Episcopal Church I am deeply grateful to you for your "Masters of Deceit."

If I may be so presumptuous as to offer any criticism it is only this: you should have written this book ten years ago. It would have spared us from the tragedy and horror of McCarthy and McCarthyism.

I think I ought to be honest enough to tell you that I am going to get a very large portion of my Easter Sermon from the last portion of your book: "If communists can be so inspired from error, falsehood, and hate, just think what we could do with truth, justice, and love! I thrill to think of the even greater wonders America could fashion from its rich, glorious, and deep tradition. All we need is faith, real faith."

The communist prides himself on being a revolutionary---and revolutionary he is in the sense of destruction, terror, and violence. Free men can learn here too: the true revolutionary force of history is not material power but the spirit of religion. The world today needs a true revolution of the fruitful spirit, not the futile sword. Hypocrisy, dishonesty, hatred, all these must be destroyed and man must rule by love, charity and mercy."

As an obscure Parson in an obscure village--Kinderhook, New York I am deeply grateful for these words. If the FBI has a building they should be cast in bronze and placed above its doorway.

Sincerely yours,

St. Paul's Church, Kinderhook, N. Y.

March 25, 1958.

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Mr. [REDACTED]
Editor
The Lima Citizen
701 West Vine Street
Lima, Ohio

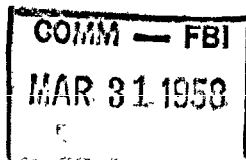
Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Mr. William A. Murphy, Jr., Special Agent in Charge of our Cleveland Office, has called my attention to the editorial, "Edgar Hoover On Ex-Reds Help," which appeared in The Lima Citizen on March 19, 1958, and I did not want to let the opportunity pass without expressing my deep gratitude.

It is certainly encouraging that you found "Masters of Deceit" important enough to devote this editorial to it.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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NOTE: A letter was sent to [REDACTED] on 10/14/57 thanking him for a favorable editorial, but there has been no other correspondence with him. Editor and Publisher yearbook and Ayte's Directory fail to list this newspaper. Bufiles reflect that in 1952 a young serviceman violated security rules and wrote to his mother concerning the devastation caused by secret bomb tests. This newspaper printed portions of the letter, and during subsequent investigation by U.S. Navy Intelligence, [REDACTED] refused to give any names or a statement concerning the matter. (65-61313-63)

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TO: DIRECTOR ATT.: CRIME RECORDS
FROM: SAC CLEVELAND (80-317)

EDITORIAL
THE LIMA CITIZEN
LIMA, OHIO

Attached hereto is a favorable editorial
concerning the Director's book "Masters of Deceit".

It is recommended that a letter of
acknowledgment be forwarded Robert C. Barton, Editor.

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Approved: EX-135
Special Agent in Charge

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Edgar Hoover On Ex-Reds Help

It is clear that more American Communists are continuing to break with the Communist Party because they have come to see it for what it is, an instrument of repression, not a means to better social and economic conditions.

What isn't clear is whether many Americans are yet willing to extend a helping hand and to create the climate which encourages the doubting Communists to free themselves from the grip of the Party.

This needs to be done and no one with better credentials can begin to do it than J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

It cannot be argued that Mr. Hoover is "soft" on Communism when he argues that we ought to take a friendly, understanding helpful attitude toward fellow Americans who sincerely want to break their Communist bonds and resume their place in the company of free men.

THIS ARGUMENT Mr. Hoover makes vigorously and persuasively in his new book, "Masters of Deceit," just published by Hamilton Holt and Co. It will undoubtedly win a wide readership and one will hope that its readers will not lightly pass over Mr. Hoover's wise and humane chapter on "Why People Break with Communism"—and how to help.

The opportunity is at hand as never before. Communism's own admission of the bloody and capricious tyranny of Stalin kindled the doubts of Communists nearly everywhere, including many in the United States. Then, when the Kremlin turned its guns on the workers of Hungary, who wanted nothing but their own freedom—this helped more Com-

munist to see the kind of thing in which they had become imprisoned.

"Always we must keep in mind," Mr. Hoover writes, "that Communists, even hard-core Communists, potentially can be converted. To the individual who asserts: 'Once a Communist, always a Communist,' I say, 'No, every Communist can be made to see the errors of his way. He must not be despised, belittled, or rejected as hopelessly lost. He can redeem himself by actively taking a stand for freedom. Every patriotic American must do what he can to bring these persons to see the truth. The ex-Communist is today one of our most potent weapons against Communism.'"

Mr. Hoover notes how a Seattle newspaperman, by counsel and encouragement, helped Barbara Hartle, once one of the West Coast's most dedicated Communist functionaries, break with the Party. The defections are mounting. Besides Louis Budenz, Bella Dodd and others, the de-converted Communists include such distinguished defectors as John Gates, former editor of the now defunct "Daily Worker," Joseph Clarke, former foreign editor, and Howard Fast, the American novelist, winner of the Stalin Award.

THE DIRECTOR of the F. B. I. makes this appeal to doubting American Communists who want to return to freedom:

"If, having knowledge of persons and activities detrimental to this country, he breaks from the Party, yet maintains silence, he is still aiding the enemy. The moral obligations involved cannot be met by silence. The choice is simple: Help the United States. The man who does this . . . is protecting the American way of life for free men and women—including his family and himself."

And this appeal to fellow-Americans to help:

"These people deserve the nation's respect, and their neighbors' fair-minded forgiveness for their past devotion to Communism. Their means of livelihood must be protected, and loyal Americans must accept their sincere repentance as a return to the full scope of citizenship. All great religions teach that the sinner can always redeem himself. Who, then, shall sit in judgment on the ex-Communist? Who dare deny him the promise held out to those who repent of the evil they have done and why try to make amends?"

"For our part, at the F. B. I., we have always sought to recognize the very real human and personal problems facing ex-Communists who have come to our offices to make such amends."

In his book Mr. Hoover significantly points out that current F.B.I. interviews reveal that many men and women inside the Communist movement are in various stages of doubt and disillusionment. He calls such gathering doubts very good omens.

LIMA CITIZEN

Lima, Ohio

March 19, 1958

Robert C. Barton, ed
Editorial

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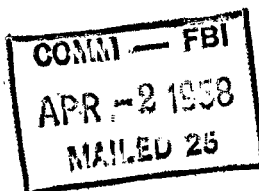
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Mr. [redacted]
Public Procurator General's Office
Supreme Court of Republic of China
Add. 124 Chungking Nan Road
Taipei, Formosa

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of March 25, 1958, has been received, and I appreciate your interest in my book, "Masters of Deceit."

Although a Chinese edition of the book has not been published, you can obtain a copy of the English language edition from the publisher, Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York, for the sum of five dollars plus postage.



Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Correspondent not identifiable in Bufiles.

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PUBLIC PROCURATOR GENERAL'S OFFICE
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ADD 124 CHUNGKING NAN ROAD
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TEL. 26290, 23101-4

Mar. 25, 1958

Honorable J. E. Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.
U. S. A.

Masters of Deceit

Dear Sir;

I have learn from the Chinese news paper, and very glad to know that your new book detailed about the Anti-Communists events of United States, was published in the Mar. 10, 1958. But the paper states out the Chinese tittle only, without English.

I am fond of it, but I don't know what is the English tittle, price, and where to buy ? May you tell me about it?

Thank you for your kindness, and hoping reply soon as your convience.

Sincerely yours



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April 2, 1958

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Mr.
521 Post Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr.

Your letter of March 26, 1958, together with enclosure, has been received. I want you to know I am deeply grateful for the interest which prompted you to write, and I assure you I am most appreciative of your splendid support.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

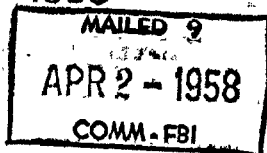
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521 Post St.
San Francisco
March 26th. 1958.

Mr. Tolson	✓
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Mr. Nease	✓
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Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. Clayton	
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Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington,
D. C.

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Mr. Hoover:

It is believed that our late Mutual friend, the late Honorable Vincent Holland Miles, Solicitor General of The United States Post Office (Vinc. and the writer were practically raised together, went to school and college, et cetera) would, I am sure, approve of the enclosed clipping appearing in The San Francisco Call-Bulletin of this date.

In a sense it is unfortunate that every American cannot see or read this article for I am sure that they too would recognize - and agree - with the sentiments expressed regarding the man to whom all of us are permanently indebted - J. Edgar Hoover.

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**THE CALL-BULLETIN
EDITORIAL PAGE**

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 1958

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'Goofed'

EDITOR: The splendid article by George E. Sokolsky in The Call-Bulletin, wherein he takes the New York Times book reviewer, John B. Oakes, over the coals for the latter's idiotic, presumptuous review of J. Edgar Hoover's new book, "Masters Of Deceit," is worth commenting on. The slogan of the Times always has been, "All the news that's fit to print." They goofed with this review. Oakes' comments, deriding, as they do, one of the finest Americans this land has produced, are not fit to print.

H. N. GUMP

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ENCLOSURE

[redacted]
Dear Mr. Hoover: Masters of Deceit

I realize I am taking
advantage of your good nature by
concluding an extra book for your
autograph -

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But, when Miss [redacted]

[redacted] one of my first customers here in
DC. - a fine little lady in charge
of "Motion Pictures" at National Archives -
heard I had gotten three copies for autograph
she wondered if you would do one for
her brother who lives in Hollywood, Florida.
for an Easter gift to him -

She called me last evening to say she just had a letter
from her brother in which he asked her if
she might be able to get a copy of your
book autographed for him -
not going to mention it to him
but will simply send the book -
and she says that is so unlike her
to seek anything like that -

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It would seem our greatest
living American has many devotees.

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3227 N St NW
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Thank you many times for your
graciousness in giving us the
autograph -

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[Redacted]

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I realize I am taking advantage of your good nature by including an extra book for your autograph -

But, when Miss [Redacted] (one of my first customers here in D. C. - a fine little lady in charge of "Motion Pictures" at National Archives) heard I had gotten three copies for autograph she wondered if you would do one for her brother who lives in Hollywood, Florida, for an Easter gift to him.

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She called me last evening to say she just had a letter from her brother in which he asked her if she might be able to get a copy of your book autographed for him - she is not going to mention it to him but will simply send the book - and she says that is so unlike Clyde to seek anything like that -

It would seem our greatest living American has many devotees.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

3227 N Street, N. W.

Adams 2-4826

WASH. D. C.

Thank you many times for your graciousness in giving us the autograph -

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Miss [unclear]
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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

10:20AM March 26, 1958

Miss [redacted] telephoned locally and referred to the attached letter to her regarding the Director autographing copies of "Masters of Deceit" for her.

Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. Boardman ☐
Mr. Belmont ☐
Mr. Mohr ☐
Mr. Nease ☒
Mr. Parsons ☒
Mr. Rosen ☒
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Mr. Jones ☒
Mr. Clayton ☒
Tele. Room ☒
Mr. Holloman ☒
Miss Holmes ☒
Miss Gandy ☒

She asked when she might bring the books in to be autographed by the Director. She was told the Director was not in the office but that if she would bring the books down they would be brought to the Director's attention upon his return and we would call her. This was agreeable to her; she will call at the Reception Room sometime today.

Miss [redacted] stated a neighbor of hers also wondered whether the Director would autograph a copy of "Masters of Deceit" for her. Miss [redacted] was told if she would bring this book in, her neighbor's request would be brought to the Director's attention.

Unless advised to the contrary, when she calls at the Reception Room she will be advised of the Director's continued absence, the books will be obtained and submitted to the Director.

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OBLATE COLLEGE

391 MICHIGAN AVE., N. E.

WASHINGTON 17, D. C.

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Boardman ✓
Mr. Belmont ✓
Mr. Mohr ✓
Mr. Nease ✓
Mr. Parsons ✓
Mr. Rosen ✓
Mr. Tamm ✓
Mr. Trotter ✓
Mr. Clayton ✓
Tele. Room ✓
Mr. Holloman ✓
Miss Gandy ✓

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, District of Columbia

Dear Mr. Hoover;

Through the kindness of my highly esteemed friend, Mr. [redacted] I received an autographed copy of your book entitled, "Masters of Deceit", for which I am deeply grateful.

To render a true appraisal of your masterpiece I would need your own expert pen. I wish to say, however, that my first reading of your book reveals a terrifying image of the "communist man"--- a man who is shorn of all noble attributes and cast into a sink of iniquity where "Fair is foul, and foul is fair", there to "Boil and bubble" in fiendish hate until, at last, he emerges all sweet and pure as a new man, to dwell in a paradise of delights which will be peopled only by loving and beloved comrades. There is no kind of "Opium" that can so transform a man. Such a metamorphosis requires downright wizardry!

It is truly said, "No man is a prophet in his own country", but in this instance I trust that the American people will give heed to your warning. Here in our seminary for the Catholic priesthood your book will be studied and treasured by both faculty and students.

Sincerely yours,

March 27, 1958

[redacted signature block] M.S.

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April 2, 1958

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[Redacted]
Oblate College
391 Michigan Avenue, Northeast
Washington 17, D. C.

Dear [Redacted]

Many thanks for your most thoughtful letter of March 27, 1958, regarding the copy of "Masters of Deceit" which I was happy to autograph to you.

Your generous remarks and observations are certainly appreciated, and I am very pleased to learn that my book will be studied by the faculty and students of Oblate College.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director



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cc - SA [Redacted] Room 4260 - enclosure

NOTE: At the request of SA [Redacted] assigned Investigative Division, the Director autographed a copy of "Masters of Deceit" to [Redacted] on March 17, 1958. [Redacted] EOD 8-11-41, assigned Investigative Division as SA in GS-14.

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Mr.
President
Smith and Wesson, Inc.
2100 Roosevelt Avenue
Springfield 4, Massachusetts

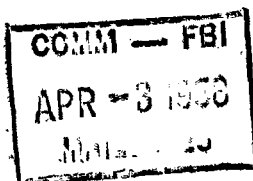
Dear Mr.

Thank you sincerely for your very thoughtful
note of March 26, 1958. I am certainly pleased that "Masters
of Deceit" was so well received by you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director



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NOTE: No identifiable derogatory data in Bufiles re which
would preclude sending this letter.

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SMITH & WESSON
SPRINGFIELD 4, MASS.



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. Clayton	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

March 26, 1958.

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
United States Department of Justice,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Through the courtesy of your local agent, Mr. [redacted] I am the proud possessor of an autographed copy of your most interesting but disturbing book "Masters of Deceit".

I find your book very enlightening and I think it is high time the people of the United States were made conversant with the subject. Permit me to congratulate you on a most excellent presentation.

With many thanks and best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

[redacted signature box]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: April 2, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT:

VICTORY BUILDING
TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA

Tolson _____
Boardman _____
Belmont _____
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Nease _____
Parsons _____
Rosen _____
Tamm _____
Trotter _____
Clayton _____
Tele. Room _____
Holloman _____
Gandy _____

In a short four-line note to the Director dated March 27, 1958, captioned individual commented that "Masters of Deceit" is the most important book of this century and complimented Mr. Hoover on a superb job.

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Bufiles indicate a brief acknowledgment to [] on June 5, 1950, thanking him for sending in a copy of an address given at the National Training Conference of Canadian Girl Guides which had been delivered by Miss [] a self-proclaimed expert on communism. Files also indicate that [] has been described as a student of the activities of [] Chairman of the Canadian Peace Congress which reportedly is a communist front organization. Files also indicate [] attended a May-Day celebration in Winnipeg, Canada. Speakers on this occasion reportedly represented communist fronts. Files also indicate [] is Editor of a magazine entitled "Outlook" which is subsidized by Canadian "big business."

Files indicate [] may be a Fascist. He has been friendly with Canadian subversives. (121-18528-4358; 65-47104-9; 65-62161-10; 66-5424-1346; 64-33515-2; 64-200-243-98)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the letter not be acknowledged. *ak*

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15 APR 11 1958

Office Memorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: March 31, 1958

FROM : Mr. R. R. Roach

SUBJECT:

REQUEST FOR DIRECTOR'S AUTOGRAPH
"MASTERS OF DECEIT"

Tolson _____
Nichols _____
Boardman _____
Belmont _____
Mohr _____
Parsons _____
Rosen _____
Tamm _____
Trotter _____
Nease _____
Tele. Room _____
Holloman _____
Gandy _____

Enclosed is a copy of "Masters of Deceit," which is the property of [redacted] an official in the Office of Security, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). [redacted] has asked the Liaison Agent if the Director would be kind enough to autograph the book. Over the years, [redacted] has been most cooperative with the Bureau. He handles numerous requests of a special and sensitive nature submitted through Liaison channels and through our Washington Field Office. His attitude has always been exceptionally friendly. He has read the book and is asking his immediate subordinates to obtain copies so that the publication will be readily available for reference purposes.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is respectfully recommended that the book be autographed by the Director. The suggested autograph is "Best Wishes." The book will be returned to [redacted] by Liaison.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Malmfeldt
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Papich

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Enclosure

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65 APR 9 1958

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. R. R. ROACH *RR*

DATE: March 4, 1958

FROM : MR. B. A. WELLS *BAW*SUBJECT: *PS*
"MASTERS OF DECEIT"
REQUESTS FOR AUTOGRAPHS

Tolson	_____
Nichols	_____
Boardman	_____
Belmont	_____
Mohr	_____
Parsons	_____
Rosen	_____
Tamm	_____
Trotter	_____
Nease	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Holloman	_____
Gandy	_____

malmsfeldt PS.

Mr. [] and Mr. [] all of the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI), have requested that the Director autograph the enclosed copies of "Masters of Deceit" to them.

None of these individuals have been investigated by the Bureau, and our files contain no derogatory information concerning them. They have been very cooperative during contacts with them and have always spoken well of the Bureau. Mr. [] has had a tour of the Bureau, and Mr. [] received an autographed copy of "The FBI Story."

ACTION:

Refer this memorandum to Supervisor G. E. Malmfeldt of the Crime Records Section.

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Enclosures

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- 1 - Mr. Malmfeldt
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Wells

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To Wells
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18 APR 4 1958

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. R. R. ROACH

DATE: March 13, 1958

FROM : MR. M. W. KUERTZ

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"
REQUEST FOR DIRECTOR'S AUTOGRAPH

Tolson _____
 Nichols _____
 Boardman _____
 Belmont _____
 Mohr _____
 Parsons _____
 Rosen _____
 Tamm _____
 Trotter _____
 Nease _____
 Tele. Room _____
 Holloman _____
 Gandy _____

Mr. [redacted] Security Coordinator for the General Electric Company and recent past chairman of the American Office for Industrial Security, contacted Liaison Supervisor M. W. Kuhrtz and indicated that he had purchased a copy of the captioned book and in view of his appreciation of the Director and the Bureau would most deeply appreciate the Director's autograph appearing therein.

In view of Mr. [redacted] past cooperation with the Bureau, it is suggested that the Director's autograph appear therein. If approved, the name [redacted] should appear in the autograph.

ACTION:

This memorandum should be referred to Supervisor G. E. Malmfeldt of the Records Section for appropriate consideration.

Enclosure

MWK:jlkgk
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- 1 - Mr. Malmfeldt
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Kuhrtz

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. R. R. ROACH

DATE: March 7, 1958

FROM : MR. B. A. WELLS

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"
REQUEST FOR AUTOGRAPH

Tolson _____
 Nichols _____
 Boardman _____
 Belmont _____
 Mohr _____
 Parsons _____
 Rosen _____
 Tamm _____
 Trotter _____
 Nease _____
 Tele. Room _____
 Holloman _____
 Gandy _____

[redacted] Civilian Chief, Investigations
 Branch, Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI), has requested that
 the Director autograph the enclosed copy of "Masters of Deceit"
 to him.

Mr. [redacted] an employee of the Bureau in the 1930's,
 has been with ONI for many years and has been extremely cooperative
 with the Bureau. During his duty with the Bureau from 1934 until
 1939, he served as a clerk and as Chief of the Communications
 Section of the Bureau. He was assigned to the Director's Office
 for a period during his Bureau employment. There is no derogatory
 information on our files concerning Mr. [redacted] His Bureau record
 was excellent.

ACTION:

Refer this memorandum to Supervisor Malmfeldt of the
 Crime Records Section.

BAW:jlkyk
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- 1 - Mr. Malmfeldt
- 1 - Liaison Section
- 1 - Mr. Wells

Enclosure

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 be well
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March 28, 1958

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Boardman	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Parsons	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Mr. Clayton	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Holloman	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Mr. Nease:

Almost half of the men presently attending the 61st Session of the FBI National Academy have purchased copies of "Masters of Deceit." Most favorable comments have been received from the men regarding the book, and the reception to it has been outstanding.

In response to numerous inquiries from class members, the entire class was advised that the book would be available to them at the regular Bureau price of \$2.95. One of the officers asked if it would be possible for the Director to autograph a copy to him. He was told that his request would be brought to the Director's attention.

At the present time forty-one of those men purchasing the book have requested that the Director autograph it to them.

Every officer attending the FBI National Academy has been investigated and found to be entirely acceptable. These men represent fountains of good will in police departments in all parts of the country, and it is believed great good can come from the Director autographing the books to the officers.

Unless advised to the contrary, the autograph legend cards will be prepared and the books will be forwarded to you Monday.

M. A. Jones
M. A. Jones

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I suggest autographic signature only - the same as is being done with Bureau employees

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April 3, 1958

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Miss [redacted]
Route 1
Waynesboro, Virginia

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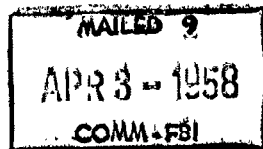
Dear Miss [redacted]

Your letter of March 28, 1958, has been received, and I appreciate your interest in my book, "Masters of Deceit." If a copy of the book is not available through your local book or department stores, you may desire to obtain a copy from the publisher, Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York, for the sum of \$5 plus postage.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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FBI
APR 3 10 55 AM '58



NOTE: Inasmuch as the correspondent is a high school student inquiring where to obtain a copy of the book, files have not been checked.

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Boardman _____
Belmont _____
Mohr _____
Nease _____
Parsons _____
Rosen _____
Tamm _____
Trotter _____
Clayton _____
Tele. Room _____
Holloman _____
Gandy _____

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MAIL ROOM ☐

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TRUE COPY

Route #1
Waynesboro, Virginia
March 28, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am a student of Wilson Memorial High School on Fisherville, Virginia. I have been studying about America's worst enemy - Russia - and her form of government.

The students in my social problems class are very interested and would like to learn more about our enemy. We want to be aware of Russia as adult citizens and leaders, so we will be able to guard against her.

I was informed that you wrote a book several years ago or last year about communism and I would like to purchase a copy of the book. I would appreciate it if you would let me know the publisher's name and the exact name of your book.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ (Miss)

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4/9/58

Route #1
Waynesboro Virginia
March 28, 1958

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I am a student of Wilson Memorial
High School in Fishersville, Virginia.
I have been studying about America's
worst enemy - Russia - and her form
of government.

The students in my social problems
class are very interested and would
like to learn more about our enemy.

We want to be aware of Russia
as adult citizens and leaders, so we

will be able to guard against her.

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I was informed that you wrote

a book several years ago or last

year about communism and I would

like to purchase a copy of the book.

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I would appreciate it if you would let me know the publisher's name and the exact name of your book.

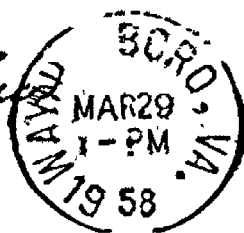
Sincerely yours,
(Miso)

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Miss [redacted]

Route #1

Waynesboro, Virginia



Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

April 1, 1958

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Mr. [redacted]
514 North Louise Street
Glendale 6, California

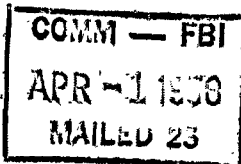
Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of March 23, 1958, with enclosure, has been received, and I sincerely appreciate your kind comments, best wishes and your interest in my book, "Masters of Deceit."

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In response to your order, I am sending a copy of the book to you under separate cover.

Sincerely yours,



J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Bufiles reflect no unfavorable information identifiable with [redacted]

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FBI
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TRUE COPY

March 23, 1958
514 No. Louise St.
Glendale 6, Calif.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I cannot find the address of the publishing
Company that has printed your new book. I want a copy.

Enclosed you will find the price quoted if it is
more have them ship the rest COD.

I only hope that your health will continue so that
you can remain Director of the FBI. I do not believe that there
is another American that has all the capabilities that you have
proven over and over.

I as an American am very proud of our FBI and all
that it stands for.

We have you to thank for this.

God give you the health, courage and endurance to
continue.

Respectfully

/s/



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March 23, 1958
514 No. Louise St.
Glendale 6, Calif.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I cannot find the address of the
publishing Company that has printed
your new book. I want a copy.
Enclosed you will find the price
quoted if it is more have them
ship the rest C.O.D.

I only hope that your health will
continue so that you can remain quiet
at the FBI. I do not believe that there
is another American that has all
the capabilities that you have proven over
and over

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I as an American ~~am proud~~ proud
of our FBI and all that it stands for.

We have you to thank for this.
God give you the health, courage
and strength to continue.

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ack 4-1-58
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Respectfully

detached in Crime Rec 4/1/58 J.L.

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[redacted] D. O. S.
3922 INGOMAR ST., N. W.,
WASHINGTON 15, D. C.

March 31, 1958.

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover,
F. B. I. - Wash., D. C.

Dear Mr Hoover -

Thank you very much for autographing
for me your new book, "Masters of Deceit".

I am delighted with the book and
especially with your autograph.

Cordially and sincerely,

[redacted]

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no ack.
J.E.H.

DO-6

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[REDACTED] D.D.S.

3922 Ingomar St., N. W.
Washington 15, D. C.

March 31, 1958

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
F.B.I. - Wash., D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you very much for autographing for me your
new book, "Masters of Deceit."

I am delighted with the book and especially with your
autograph.

Cordially and sincerely,

s/ [REDACTED]

COPY:bak

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Boardman _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Nease _____
Mr. Parsons _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tamm _____
Mr. Trotter _____
Mr. Jones ✓
Mr. Clayton _____
Tele. Room _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Miss Holmes _____
Miss Gandy _____

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KING FEATURES SYNDICATE
235 EAST 45TH STREET
NEW YORK 17, N.Y.

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Boardman ✓
Mr. Belmont ✓
Mr. Mohr ✓
Mr. Nease ✓
Mr. Parsons ✓
Mr. Rosen ✓
Mr. Tamm ✓
Mr. Trotter ✓
Mr. Clayton ✓
Tele. Room ✓
Mr. Holloman ✓
Miss Gandy ✓
M.A. [initials]

March 31, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I was so very pleased and honored to receive that autographed copy of your great book, "Masters of Deceit."

Through some thirty years of active newspaper work, in peace and in war, I've sensed the hand of our Communist foe -- from Union Square to East Berlin. Thanks to your brilliant writing he is seen clearly now as the most deadly menace we've ever faced.

Your book is a most timely warning to all Americans. It not only unmask the enemy, but, most importantly, it tells us how to fight him.

Pray God we never relax our vigilance.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

JFW:pb

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

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TO DIRECTOR 7, FBI

FROM SAC, NEW YORK 2P

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA IS-C.

MASTERS OF DECEIT

FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF INFORMATION CONCERNING THE REACTION OF THE
CP LEADERS TO THE DIRECTOR-S BOOK, "MASTERS OF DECEIT". NY TWO

ZERO ONE ZERO DASH S ASTERISK ON THREE TWENTYSIX FIFTYEIGHT ADVISED
THAT IN A CONVERSATION BETWEEN GENE DENNIS AND HERBERT APTHEKER, NEW
CENTURY PUBLISHERS, DENNIS INQUIRED AS TO APTHEKERS THOUGHTS ON THE
HANDLING OF "MASTERS OF DECEIT". APTHEKER SAID THAT HE SENT FOR A
COPY OF IT BUT THAT THEY HAD REFUSED TO GIVE HIM THE REVIEW COPY.
DENNIS COMMENTED THAT "YOU KNOW IT-S NOT AN ORDINARY PIECE OF PUB-
LICATION--AND IN ADDITION TO THE BIG PUSH ON IT IN ALL THE REVIEWS AND
WHAT-NOT, I SEE THEY-RE GOING TO TOWN IN--ON TV". APTHEKER REPLIED,
"YES, IT-S A BIG THING. WE OUGHT TO HAVE SOMEBODY REALLY DEAL WITH IT
FROM THE PHENOMENON OF A COP BEING THE LEADING PHILOSOPHER HERE IN
THIS COUNTRY--THE LEADING SAVANT AS TO THE MEANING OF MARXISM-LENIN-
ISM--THAT-S WHAT WE-VE COME TO HERE--THAT IS A FRAME-UP COP--COP
WHO KILLED SACCO AND VANZETTI AND SO ON--THIS I--THIS IS--OUR
CRITERION." IN FURTHER SPEAKING OF WHAT THEY WILL DO CONCERNING THE
BOOK, APTHEKER STATED, APPARENTLY REFERRING TO ARTICLES TO
END PAGE ONE

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21 APR 24 1958

Mr. Belmont

4-4-58

INT. SEC.

CRIM. DIV.

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BE WRITTEN, THAT IT SHOULD BE A TOP LEVEL JOB". DENNIS AGREED TO THIS AND APTHEKER ADDED, "IT MIGHT--IT PROBABLY WOULD BE BEST IF IT WERE SOMEBODY WHO HAD BEEN IN JAIL THROUGH THIS RAT". DENNIS INTERJECTED, "THERE ARE A LOT OF CANDIDATES FOR THAT", AND LAUGHED. 62939
LATER ON THE SAME DATE, INFORMANT ADVISED THAT DENNIS CONTACTED JACK STACHEL AND CONFIRMED THE FACT THAT SI ~~PAREN~~ (GERSON) ^{C.P. member NY} ~~END-PAREN~~ WAS DOING A REVIEW ON "MASTERS OF DECEIT" AND INQUIRED OF STACHEL WHEN THE REVIEW IS TO APPEAR. STACHEL REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER OR NOT IT WOULD BE THIS WEEK OR NEXT WEEK. ~~les~~
NY TWO ZERO ONE ZERO DASH S ASTERISK ADVISED THAT GENE DENNIS LATER IN A CONVERSATION WITH SIMON GERSON ASKED GERSON, "LISTEN GUY--WHAT-S THE SCORE ON YOUR REVIEW OF THE BOOK QUESTIONMARK" GERSON REPLIED, "IT-S ALREADY IN THERE". DENNIS ASKED IF IT WILL APPEAR THIS WEEK AND GERSON SAID NO, EXPLAINING, "YOU KNOW IT-S ONE THOSE THINGS--IT-S A LONG THING AND SO THEY USE IT FOR TIME COPY". GERSON ADDED THAT HE IS GOING TO PRESS FOR IT TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE NEXT ISSUE THEREAFTER. HE CONTINUED, "I ALSO KNOW THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OTHER PLACES THAT WANT IT, IF YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN-- THEY WANT TO REPRINT IT--AND IT-S ONE OF THOSE DEFINITIVE THINGS-- YOU KNOW--WHERE I REALLY GO AFTER THE SON OF A B----AND I AMASS-- A GOOD DEAL OF EVIDENCE DOWN THE YEARS THAT PEOPLE HAVE FORGOTTEN --I-M ANXIOUS TO SEE IT DONE. I GAVE IT TO JOE ~~PAREN~~ (POSSIBLE JOE NORTH) ^{C.P. member NY} ~~END-PAREN~~ YESTERDAY--I SPENT ALL DAY AT THE OFFICE WORKING ON IT." DENNIS THEN ASKED GERSON FOR A COPY OF THE BOOK AND GERSON SUGGESTED THAT A COPY BE PURCHASED, STATING THAT HE THOUGHT IT WAS IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO KEEP ONE IN THE OFFICE, AND SUGGESTED THEY COULD GET A COPY AT A REDUCTION AT THE BOOKSHOP. GERSON SUGGESTED THAT THEY SHOULD CIRCULATE A COPY OF THE BOOK, REMARKING "IT-S AN AWFUL PIECE OF CRAP, BUT IT-S THE KIND OF THING YOU GOTTA READ". DENNIS AGREED. THE NYO WILL REMAIN ALERT FOR REPORTED ATTEMPTS OF THE CP TO DEFAME THE DIRECTOR AND DESCREDIT THE BOOK, "MASTERS OF DECEIT" ~~les~~
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Mr. [redacted]
D.W. Highway, South
Nashua, New Hampshire

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Dear Mr. [redacted]

Your letter of March 26, 1958, has been received,
and I want you to know I am deeply grateful for your generous
remarks concerning "Masters of Deceit." I assure you my
associates and I appreciate your fine support.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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MAIL ROOM ☐

Nashua, New Hampshire

March 26, 1958

My Dear Mr. Hoover: *✓*

MASTERS OF DECEIT is the answer to my prayers. THE FBI STORY was very powerful and timely but, this recent book: "MASTERS OF DECEIT," is too powerful and wonderful and beyond words of sincere praise.

I am an average American and well aware of what is happening in our nation. I voice my feelings constantly in the press and to the Senate and Congress of the United States. In my place of business I take it upon myself to defend the FBI concerning the great work it is performing for every American citizen.

The liberals and the United States Supreme Court have made and are still making your battles difficult in regards to Communist. I have asked Senator Bridges to investigate the Supreme Court. I have also appealed to people to write to Washington concerning the Warren Court.

My heart breaks and I grow angry when I hear people knock the FBI. In conclusion, kindly accept my sincere congratulations on MASTERS OF DECEIT. God love you and guide you.


D.W. Highway, (South)
Nashua, New Hampshire

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: April 1, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

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Reference is made to the attached letter dated March 27, 1958, from The Whitney Company, Chicago, Illinois, which takes violent exception to Chapter 19 of the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit." Mr. disputes Mr. Hoover's statement that the Anti-Defamation League has been anti-communist. "It would be interesting to know the evidence on which you base your conclusion as to this organization offering effective opposition to communism, since there is considerable opinion in the opposite direction."

From other remarks in the letter it appears that has very fixed opinions concerning the Anti-Defamation League which are not likely to be easily changed. For that reason, it is felt that we should not acknowledge his letter. Our reply would probably lead to further hostile argumentation on his part and cause him to write additional letters. It is felt that the best interests of the Bureau would be served by not replying.

Bufiles reflect no record on or The Whitney Company.

RECOMMENDATION:

That letter not be acknowledged.

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THE WHITNEY COMPANY

Industrial Traffic Service

4610 Sheridan Road

CHICAGO 40, ILLINOIS

March 27, 1958

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Mr. Parsons ☒
Mr. Rosen ☒
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Mr. Clayton ☒
Tele. Room ☒
Mr. Holloman ☒
Miss Gandy ☒
J. Edgar Hoover

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In Chapter 19 of your book "Masters of Deceit" you state, "Some of the most effective opposition to communism in the United States has come from Jewish organizations such as --, the Anti-Defamation League."

Inasmuch as the majority of names are Jewish of those exposed as part of the communist conspiracy against the United States, it would seem that the general public is justified in believing that communism makes some peculiar appeal to Jews, and I do know that the Anti-Defamation League has been identified by numerous informed writers as part of the communist conspiracy.

It would be interesting to know the evidence on which you base your conclusion as to this organization offering effective opposition to communism, since there is considerable opinion in the opposite direction.

It would seem that if you had offered evidence as to specific instances in which this one organization had demonstrated its opposition to communism you would have made a considerable contribution to right what seems weighty adverse opinion.

It has been my observation that hatred of Senator Joseph McCarthy is an identifying symbol by which one can easily spot those who support, in more or less measure, the communist conspiracy against the United States, and I believe I have made it plain that there are that kind of peculiar thinkers on the staff of the Christian Science Monitor, where a Christian Scientist is surely loathe to find them.

There are many instances in which the A.D.L. has manifested its intense dislike for Senator McCarthy, very much in the same intensity as expressed in the Daily Worker and the Monitor.

You are, of course, aware of the recent effort of the A.D.L. to demonstrate its influence over the thinking of members of Congress, by sending out "or else" invitations to members of Congress to be present at the League's presentation of a plaque to Congress, as a symbol of its influence. Previously this stunt had been pulled on two Presidents of the United States. Such things hardly demonstrate a deep appreciation of our kind of government.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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Mr. [redacted]
Carlton Bookshop, Inc.
684 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Mr. Edward J. Powers, Special Agent in Charge of our New York Office, has shown me a color photograph of your excellent window display featuring my book, "Masters of Deceit," and I want you to know how much I appreciate your support of the book.

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Mr. Powers has also informed me of your desire for me to autograph a copy of "Masters of Deceit" and indicated that you are forwarding your book soon as it is received, it will be a pleasure to return it to you under separate cover.

In response to [redacted] a copy of my photograph [redacted] forwarded separately.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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Reurle [redacted] captioned "Carlton Bookshop, Inc., 684 Madison Avenue, New York."

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TO :
FROM :DIRECTOR, FBI
ATT: CRIME RECORDS

DATE: 3/31/58

SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT:

CARLTON BOOKSHOP, INC.
684 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓
Mr. Clayton	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Mr. HoNorman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

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This bookshop has a very attractive display of the Director's book "Masters of Deceit", and colored photographs, which are forwarded herewith, were taken of this display by [redacted] Supervisory Photographer (Still), GS-8, at night in color with a speed graphic camera. I thought the Bureau would be interested in seeing this attractive display of the Director's book.

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The proprietor of the Carlton Bookshop, Inc., is Mr. [redacted] and he has advised that he prepared this window display personally, and that he is very proud of the results. During this conversation Mr. [redacted] said that he has never knowingly sold or displayed any Communist or pro-Communist books and that he has refused to handle books written by persons of known Communist sympathy. He exhibited a summer, 1957 issue of "All American Books" in which he is mentioned as a book dealer who refused to handle Communist books.

Mr. [redacted] was very pleased that we desired to photograph his window and offered his full cooperation. He indicated that he would be most appreciative if the Director would autograph a copy of the book for him. He would also like to receive an autographed photograph of the Director. He expressed his great admiration for both the Director and the Bureau.

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Mr. [redacted] will furnish a copy of the book in the near future which will then be forwarded to the Bureau for the Director's signature.

A check of the New York Office indices fails to reveal any identifiable information with either [redacted] Inc., or Mr. [redacted].

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H3-'16 NEW YORK, MARCH 20, 1958

EDITORS AND PUBLISHERS ALL HEARST PAPERS EXCEPT NY MIRROR, SF CALL
BULLETIN AND LA HERALD-EXPRESS:

FOLLOWING EDITORIAL IS RELEASED IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS

WM. H. WHITE

(HEAD) A MENACE (CAPS) NOW (UNCAPS) (END HEAD)

TWO UNDERCOVER AGENTS FOR THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION -- ONE
A SLENDER, SOFT-SPOKEN NEW HAMPSHIRE HOUSEWIFE--HAVE TESTIFIED IN
BOSTON BEFORE THE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES.

THEIR TESTIMONY REINFORCES A BASIC POINT THAT J. EDGAR HOOVER,
DIRECTOR OF THE FBI, MAKES IN HIS MAGNIFICENT BOOK, "MASTERS OF DECEIT."
MR. HOOVER EXPRESSED IT AS FOLLOWS:

"TODAY, AS I WRITE THESE WORDS, MY CONCLUSIONS REMAIN THE SAME.
COMMUNISM IS THE MAJOR MENACE OF OUR TIME."

MRS. [REDACTED] N.H., AND [REDACTED] OF

[REDACTED] WHO AT GREAT RISK TO THEIR SAFETY BECAME COUNTER
AGENTS OF THE FBI WITHIN COMMUNIST BANKS, HAVE OFFERED FACTUAL
CORROBORATION IN BOSTON.

OUT OF THEIR STORIES HAS COME A PICTURE OF COMMUNIST UNDERGROUND
ACTIVITIES IN NEW ENGLAND, THAT EXTENDED INTO AT LEAST ONE AREA OF
COMMUNICATION (RADIO BROADCASTS), INTO A LABOR UNION, AND COMPRISED
CEASELESS EXPLOITATION OF THE COMMUNIST LINE AT COMMUNITY LEVELS.

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from Richard E. Berlin, the
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HERE, ALSO, IS A REBUTTAL OUT OF ACTUAL EXPERIENCE TO THE EFFORTS OF SOME AMERICANS, EITHER OUT OF INCREDIBLE NAIVETE OR WILFUL DISTORTION, TO DEPRECIATE MR. HOOVER'S BOOK. THEY ARGUE THAT BECAUSE THE OPEN MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY HAS DECLINED, THE COMMUNIST MENACE IS NO LONGER IMPORTANT.

THIS IS LIKE SAYING THAT BECAUSE THAT PART OF AN ICEBERG ABOVE THE SURFACE IS MELTING, THE 90 PER CENT BELOW THE SURFACE CEASES TO BE A DANGER.

IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA IF SUCH CRITICS WERE TO READ THE TESTIMONY OF MRS. [] AND MR. []

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 3/25/58

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

There is enclosed herewith a one page sheet, "Cavalcade of Books", available on counters at Bullock's Department Store Book Shop, which sets forth sponsorship by the Southern California Booksellers Association of the television feature "Cavalcade of Books", and brief notes on the character of the Director's latest book, together with the recommendation, "A most important book."

A tape recording of the television recommendation of "Masters of Deceit" by Cavalcade of Books has been already furnished the Bureau.

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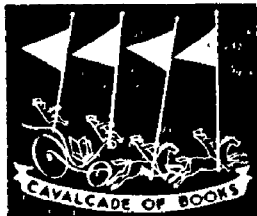
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CAVALCADE OF BOOKS

KNXT — Channel 2 — Sunday, March 9, 1958 at 4 P.M.

FEATURING GEORGIANA HARDY AND TURNLEY WALKER

Our 242nd Telecast

THE GOLDEN BOUGH — Sir James G. Frazer (Macmillan \$3.95)

In a single volume, this is the original condensation made by Sir James Frazer himself. It is the story of man's bitter struggle to emerge from a tragic welter of fears, magic, wizardry, taboos and superstitions into a clearer understanding of the world we live in. A book that belongs on the shelves of every home.

SUNSET WESTERN CAMPSITE DIRECTORY (Lane \$1.00)

Right today, as the motoring, camping, exploring season starts in the west coast states, this complete list of public campsites in the seven Western states and Hawaii is the most important to own. If you already know where you plan to go, this will be invaluable. If you want suggestions, read the text and study the maps and photos of camps in all these states plus selected camps in Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, Wyoming, British Columbia and Baja California.

*HOLY BIBLE from the Peshitta — Lamsa translation (Holman \$12.50)

Dr. George M. Lamsa, a native Assyrian who speaks, reads and writes Aramaic, the language of Jesus and his disciples has translated this, the authorized Bible of the Church of the East into English direct from the Aramaic (Syriac) manuscripts. His commentaries, based on original research, are of tremendous value in the correct interpretation of the Bible and many of its more difficult passages.

THE WINE OF LIFE — Charles Gorham (Dial \$4.95)

Honore de Balzac was the greatest story-teller of his age, but his most exciting story was the one he lived, the lusty bawdy, teeming story of his life. Charles Gorham gives us, in this volume, the living, breathing Balzac, striding through these pages, swinging his jeweled cane, roaring with laughter and spreading devastation among his many women admirers.

MASTERS OF DECEIT — J. Edgar Hoover (Holy \$5.00)

The Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation here writes the story of Communism in America and how to fight it. Probably no American knows more about this over-shadowing peril to all our institutions and liberties as American citizens. Mr. Hoover shows the day-to-day operations of the Communist Party, USA; who the communists are, what they claim, why some people become communists and why some break away. A most important book.

LIFE PLUS 99 YEARS — Nathan F. Leopold (Doubleday \$5.50)

Written in the Illinois State Penitentiary at Stateville, this extraordinary autobiography traces every step in the plot with Richard Loeb to make the murder of Bobby Franks the "perfect crime," the brilliant defense by Clarence Darrow and his life as a prisoner for 34 years. The granting of his parole is spot news today.

**MARXISM AND FREEDOM — Raya Dunayevskaya (Bookman \$6.00)

Miss Dunayevskaya will be speaking at UCLA, Pomona College, Whitier College and Pepperdine this week, telling of her deep insight into Marxism and its relation to present day Communism. Her book is a pioneering anti-Communist study that seeks to re-establish an understanding of Marxism in its original form, not as perverted by the Kremlin. She was at one time secretary to Leon Trotsky until she broke with him in 1939.

GUESTS OF THE WEEK

*DR. GEORGE M. LAMSA whose many devoted friends in Southern California will be delighted to hear him talk about his own translation of the Bible.

**RAYA DUNAYEVSKAYA who has her own anti-communistic dialectic on the meaning of Marxism as related to the present Russian regime.

BOOK NEWS OF THE WEEK

Rex Barley, book editor of the Mirror-News will interview Margaret Widdemer, author of **DARK CAVALIER** on radio KFI, Sunday March 9th at 10:05 P.M.

BEST SELLERS IN LOS ANGELES

Compiled from leading booksellers by the Mirror-News

FICTION

By Love Possessed, James Gould Cozzens.
Anatomy of a Murder, Robert Traver.
Rally Round the Flag, Boys!, Max Shulman.
Some Came Running, James Jones.
They Came to Cordura, Glendon Swarthout.
Roots of Heaven, Romain Gary.
Maggie-Now, Betty Smith.
White Witch, Elizabeth Goudge.
Peyton Place, Grace Metalious.
Thomasina, Paul Gallico.

NONFICTION

Please Don't Eat the Daisies, Jean Kerr.
Kids Say the Darndest Things, Art Linkletter.
Attorney for the Damned, Arthur Weinberg.
Baruch: My Own Story, Bernard Baruch.
Where Did You Go? Out . . ., Robert P. Smith.
Be My Guest, Conrad Hilton.
Hidden Persuaders, Vance Packard.
Mr. Baruch, Margaret L. Coit.
Book of the Seven Seas, Peter Freuchen.
Parkinson's Law, C. Northcott Parkinson.

Cavalcade of Books is sponsored by the Southern California
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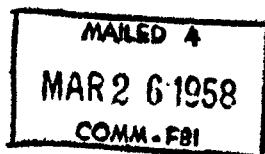
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Mr. [redacted]
Publisher
Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph
Pittsburgh 30, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. [redacted]

Mr. E. Hugo Winterrowd, Special Agent in Charge of our Pittsburgh Office, has called my attention to the editorials, "An Expert Speaks," "An Evil Pretender" and "They're Still Around," which you published on March 18, 20 and 22, respectively, in the Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph.

I want you to know I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in bringing "Masters of Deceit" to the attention of your readers. Your continuing support is certainly gratifying.



Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc - Pittsburgh

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An Expert Speaks

THE DEVASTATING job Director J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation has done on Communism in his new book, "Masters of Deceit," is recommended reading. He has thoroughly demolished the fiction that Communism is just another political philosophy that has to be tolerated and defended as a "right" in a free country.

Nearly 40 years of intensive study have convinced Mr. Hoover that the real and only purpose of Communism in America is to destroy human freedom, and he proves the point to the complete satisfaction of all who read his book with open minds, and with total refutation of all who dispute its truth.

Tolerance of Communism, as Mr. Hoover says, is not a virtue but a folly. It is a philosophy that goes to "the utter depths of depravity, hate and human venom."

Communists do not seek merely to change or remodel or reform the Amer-

ican form of government. Let Mr. Hoover describe their real intention.

"They would tear it to the ground, destroy all opposition, and then create a new government, an American province in the Soviet world empire."

That is what Communism means.

That is what American Communists intend.

That is what Americans who are tolerant about Communism, complacent about it and apologetic for it, lend themselves to. They protest their innocence as to any affiliation with Communism, but they give it the shelter and the nourishment and the encouragement of their defensive attitudes, and are partners in the contemplated destruction of American liberty.

Mr. Hoover's new book is an honest, courageous, authoritative and fully documented exposure of the Communist conspiracy against American freedom and it has taken its place among the important papers of our times.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

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An Evil Pretender

AS MANY PEOPLE are discovering, J. Edgar Hoover has given the country a new and important book in his study of Communism called "Masters of Deceit," and it is already becoming an authentic and challenging text book on the vital field it covers.

One of the outstanding passages was the summary Mr. Hoover made of the lessons our free society has learned from continuing experience with the history and methods of Communism. He said the most important among these lessons is that:

"The communist party is attempting to exploit the rise of materialism, irreligion, and lack of faith in our society.

"In an era when moral standards have been lowered, when family life has been disrupted, when crime and juvenile delinquency rates are high, Communists have tried to set forth a goal—dressed in attractive phrases—that would captivate the longings and hopes of men and women.

"They have, in truth, tried to 'steal' the nobility, the fervor, the enthusiasm of a free government under God."

The dramatic thing Mr. Hoover has accomplished here is to turn the full glare of the spotlight of national recognition upon the most basic of all Communist characteristics—that an utterly evil force wears the robes of noble purpose in order to deceive and destroy the freedom and the peace of mankind.

Communists dress themselves in the highest moral and spiritual guise, and have no compunction about total recourse to the lowest forms of deceit and betrayal. They despise all concepts of faith and integrity, and yet they glibly speak of the divine sources of human wisdom and inspiration as if they honored these things which they really hold in the deepest contempt.

In stealing the phrases and the garb of decency and dignity, Communism only makes itself absurd and grotesque.

It defies and defiles the morality of the human race, and mocks at justice and brotherhood even while it attempts the pose of honor and integrity.

While pretending to deplore the threatened disintegration of home and family and of our whole society, it incites and instigates impressionable youth to crime and degrading social conduct. It provides professional and beginning criminals alike, adults and juveniles, with the opportunities and weapons of criminal behavior, and taunts them with the seeming lure and profits of a way of life that leads only to despair and destruction.

For this and a whole bookful of similar reasons, Mr. Hoover's book commands national attention and respect. In giving America the whole and authentic truth about Communism, he has left his countrymen without reason or excuse for ignorance or complacency about this conspiracy against our national survival.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

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J. Edgar Hoover

They're Still Around

TWO UNDERCOVER agents for the federal bureau of investigation—one a slender, soft-spoken New Hampshire housewife—have testified in Boston before the House subcommittee on Un-American Activities.

Their testimony reinforces a basic point that J. Edgar Hoover, director of the FBI, makes in his magnificent book, "Masters of Deceit." Mr. Hoover expressed it as follows:

"Today, as I write these words, my conclusions remain the same. Communism is the major menace of our time."

Mrs. Carol H. Foster of Nashua, N. H., and Armando Penha of Fairhaven, Mass., who at great risk to their safety became counter agents of the FBI within Communist ranks, have offered factual corroboration in Boston. Out of their stories has come a pic-

ture of Communist underground activities in New England, that extended into at least one area of communication (radio broadcasts), into a labor union, and comprised ceaseless exploitation of the Communist line at community levels.

Here, also, is a rebuttal out of actual experience to the efforts of some Americans, either out of incredible naivete or wilful distortion, to depreciate Mr. Hoover's book. They argue that because the open membership of the Communist party has declined, the Communist menace is no longer important.

This is like saying that because that part of an iceberg above the surface is melting, the 90 per cent below the surface ceases to be a danger.

It would be a good idea if such critics were to read the testimony of Mrs. Foster and Mr. Penha.

Pittsburgh. Pa.

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Mr. [redacted]
Route 1, Box 38
Polkville, Mississippi

Dear [redacted]

I have received your letter of March 28, 1958, and was happy to learn that you enjoyed hearing your superintendent read from "Masters of Deceit." It was indeed encouraging to know of your interest in this matter.

It is a pleasure to send my photograph to you and your classmate, [redacted], and some material regarding the FBI which I thought you might like to see.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

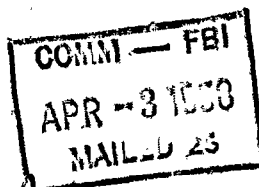
John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosures (4)

The Story of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, two copies
Two small photographs of the Director

NOTE: Neither correspondent or his classmate [redacted] is identifiable in Bufiles, and no arrest records were located in the Identification Division.

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Polkville, Miss.

March 28, 1958

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am in the 8th grade and go to White Oak School. In hour class this morning our Supt. Mr. [] read us a few of the stories in the book in whitch you sent named "Masters Of Decceit". I would like to thank you for Mr. [] and the entire 8th grade class for the very good bood on Commisum. I beleave if we will all get together and ~~be~~ believe in God we will come out all right. Please send me a picture of yourself to me and allso send a copy to my classmate [] because we have been getting a collection of pictures of the Pres. Cabinet, and the Cabinet of Miss. So please do this.

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Thank you very much

Sincerely

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P.S./I am gest learning how to type so I still make quite a few mistakes yet.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: April 3, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: PROPOSED APPEARANCE OF
DIRECTOR ON TELEVISION IN
CONNECTION WITH "MASTERS OF DECEIT"
APRIL 20, 1958

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By reference from the Director's Office shortly before noon today I talked with a Mr. McClatchy of the New York office of ABC who stated that his New York office had been approached by King Features in connection with the syndication of the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit." McClatchy indicated that King Features suggested the possibility of ABC contacting the Director concerning a television appearance with regard to "Masters of Deceit."

McClatchy stated that he was just exploring the possibility and that the thought occurred to him that the forum-type program entitled "Open Hearing" which is on at 4:00 p.m. Sunday would be a good opportunity for the Director to discuss his book. He stated that he would like to have the program during the period when the book is being syndicated and he thought April 20 would be the best date. The program can be handled either in Washington or New York.

I thanked McClatchy for his interest and told him the matter would be called to Mr. Hoover's attention. I definitely indicated to him, however, Mr. Hoover had received numerous such requests and in view of his pressing schedule, I was positive the Director could not consider his invitation. McClatchy stated that should Mr. Hoover later find that he could give consideration to it, he would appreciate being called.

RECOMMENDATION:

No further action.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 4/1/58

FROM : G. A. Nease 

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[] of New York advised Mr. McGuire today that in connection with his efforts to have favorable items regarding the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit," made on programs of entertainers personally known to him that he had previously, when a similar venture was made in connection with the Don Whitehead book on the Bureau, had his assistant [] come to the Bureau at which time we worked up various items concerning Whitehead's book which were handed to the entertainers and used as a script in giving a plug for that particular book. [] recalled that in that venture Don Whitehead was available to appear on programs and he felt certain the Director would not want to appear on any programs in connection with his book. [] was told that this was correct.

[] then stated he would like to have [] stop in my office on Friday of this week, April 4, to see just what can and cannot be done in helping to get some material that can be used by the entertainers in giving the Director's book some favorable publicity. McGuire told [] we would be glad to see [] What we would be able to do here is to give some brief descriptive data on what is covered in the book and what it deals with so that persons like Jack Paar, Dave Garroway, Perry Como, etc., would have a copy in their hand so that they would know just what they could say. I am having the Crime Records Section prepare this type of material so that we can discuss it with [] when he comes down on Friday.

[] then referred to the contemplated magazine advertisement which Chesterfield had in mind in giving a salute to law enforcement. [] stated that he had talked to the president of Liggett-Myers and both were agreed that any advertisement could not with propriety utilize a photograph of the Director as to do so would place the Director in a position of endorsing Chesterfield cigarettes. [] stated he was sure something could be worked out and we agreed with him.

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cc - Mr. Jones
 cc - Mr. Tamm

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Memo to Mr. Tolson

[] has in mind showing the salute addressed to men of law enforcement and then point out that numerous chiefs of police and officials of local law enforcement agencies received training at the FBI National Academy at Quantico. [] has enough pictures to utilize showing close ups of particular studies such as Laboratory scenes which we had previously furnished to him. He needs, however, an informal scene of officers currently attending the National Academy who make a suitable appearance and whose own background and records are good, which would show them in a relaxed mood. For example, relaxing after dinner in lounge chairs in the recreation room at the Academy or on the doorstep where the plaque of the Academy is on the wall. Obviously, these men would be smoking.

[] would like to have his photographer and art director call at the Bureau on Tuesday of next week, April 8, to look over picture possibilities at the Academy and in the meantime we can be screening the current class for six or seven likely prospects to use in such a photograph. [] stated that we, of course, have the final O. K. of any advertisement draft they propose using but he would like to go this far in having his people come down to take several pictures which conceivably could fit into the ad.

Under these circumstances, I think we should continue to go along with [] and accordingly, we will take care of the photographer, Mr. [] (he has been to the Bureau previously) and the advertising contact man of Chesterfield, Mr. [] when they come to my office on April 8. I will have Mr. Kemper or Mr. Murphy escort these men to Quantico on that date and in the interim will look over the current session of the National Academy for the purpose of picking out six or seven men who can be used in this type of picture.

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